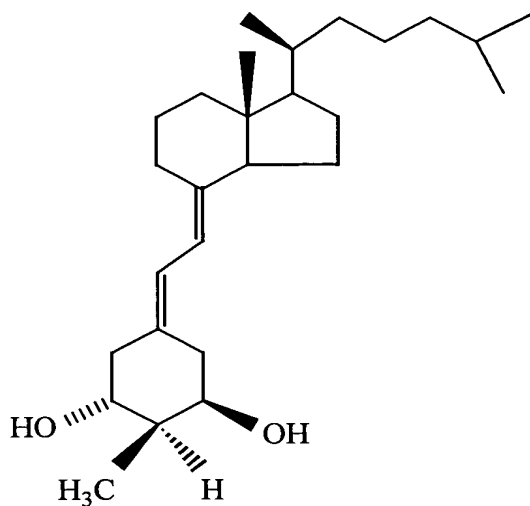


**Listing of Claims:**

Please cancel claims 1-16 and 22-77.

1-16. (Canceled)

17. (Original) A method of treating an inflammatory disease selected from the group consisting of rheumatoid arthritis, asthma, and inflammatory bowel diseases, comprising administering to a patient with said disease an effective amount of (20S)-1 $\alpha$ -hydroxy-2 $\alpha$ -methyl-19-nor-vitamin D<sub>3</sub> having the formula:



18. (Original) The method of claim 17 wherein (20S)-1 $\alpha$ -hydroxy-2 $\alpha$ -methyl-19-nor-vitamin D<sub>3</sub> is administered orally.

19. (Original) The method of claim 17 wherein (20S)-1 $\alpha$ -hydroxy-2 $\alpha$ -methyl-19-nor-vitamin D<sub>3</sub> is administered parenterally.

20. (Original) The method of claim 17 wherein (20S)-1 $\alpha$ -hydroxy-2 $\alpha$ -methyl-19-nor-vitamin D<sub>3</sub> is administered transdermally.

21. (Original) The method of claim 17 wherein (20S)-1 $\alpha$ -hydroxy-2 $\alpha$ -methyl-19-nor-vitamin D<sub>3</sub> is administered in a dosage of from about 0.01  $\mu$ g/day to about 100  $\mu$ g/day.

22-77. (Canceled)